



## **BEARFACTS 1989 – 1999**

### **Blue Earth , Minnesota [27013]**

Blue Earth is one of 87 counties in Minnesota. It is part of the [Mankato-North Mankato, MN \(MSA\)](#). Its 1999 population of 55,698 ranked 15th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1999 Blue Earth had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$25,469. This PCPI ranked 17th in the state and was 85 percent of the state average, \$30,106, and 91 percent of the national average, \$27,939. The 1999 PCPI reflected an increase of 1.8 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 state change was 3.8 percent and the national change was 3.9 percent. In 1989 the PCPI of Blue Earth was \$15,460 and ranked 40th in the state. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 5.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.8 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1999 Blue Earth had a total personal income (TPI) of \$1,418,556\*. This TPI ranked 13th in the state and accounted for 1.0 percent of the state total. In 1989 the TPI of Blue Earth was \$828,890\* and ranked 12th in the state. The 1999 TPI reflected an increase of 2.6 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 state change was 5.1 percent and the national change was 5.1 percent. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.0 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Blue Earth. In 1999 net earnings accounted for 63.1 percent of TPI (compared with 62.7 in 1989); dividends, interest, and rent were 25.0 percent (compared with 24.2 in 1989); and personal current transfer receipts were 12.0 percent (compared with 13.2 in 1989). From 1998 to 1999 net earnings increased 2.1 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 3.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 4.0 percent. From 1989 to 1999 net earnings increased on average 5.6 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 4.5 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Blue Earth increased from \$1,138,466\* in 1998 to \$1,183,478\* in 1999, an increase of 4.0 percent. The 1998-1999 state change was 6.6 percent and the national change was 6.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1989 estimate of \$658,347\* to the 1999 estimate was 6.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.1 percent and for the nation was 5.6 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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